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SUBJECT: SUGGESTED CONTINGENCY PRESS GUIDANCE FOR AMTIC
MURDER CASE, RABAT, MOROCCO

REF: STATE 141891

1. OFFICIAL MOROCCAN AGENCY MAP CARRIES FOLLOWING STORY
DATED JUNE 5 (INFORMAL EMBASSY TRANSLATION):

"AM AMERICAN TEACHER MURDERED BY AN AMERICAN SOLDIER IN
RABAT."

"AN AMERICAN TEACHER, MRS. DOROTHY LAYTON, WAS MURDERED
LAST SATURDAY NIGHT AT HER HOME IN THE OUDAIA DISTRICT OF
RABAT, ACCORDING TO A RELIABLE SOURCE.

THE MURDERER,, JERRY ROUSSEAU, A YOUNG AMERICAN SOLDIER,
AGE 21, WORKING AT THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES IN
RABAT, IS A FUGITIVE. HE WAS SEEN IN A STATE OF
INEBRIATION THE EVENING OF THE CRIME IN THE VICINITY OF
THE VICTIM'S HOUSE.

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INITIAL INDICATIONS ARE THAT THE MURDERER, WISHING TO
PROFIT FROM THE ABSENCE OF THE VICTIM'S HUSBAND, CAME TO
HER HOUSE AND ATTEMPTED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF HER. MEETING
WITH STRONG RESISTANCE, THE SOLDIER, WHO IS APPARENTLY NOT
A VERY BALANCED PERSON, KILLED THE UNFORTUNATE YOUNG
WOMAN AND FLED."

2. ACTION REQUESTED: IN VIEW OF FOREGOING STORY, EMBASSY
SUGGESTS FOLLOWING PRESS GUIDANCE FOR USE IN IF-ASKED BASIS:

Q. CAN YOU CONFIRM THIS STORY?

A. I CAN ONLY SAY THAT CPL. ROUSSEAU IS BEING SOUGHT
BY THE MOROCCAN AUTHORITIES FOR QUESTIONING.

3. IN ANSWER TO ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS WE PROPOSE TO
STATE THAT WE HAVE NO FURTHER COMMENT.

4. REQUEST URGENT GUIDANCE.
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